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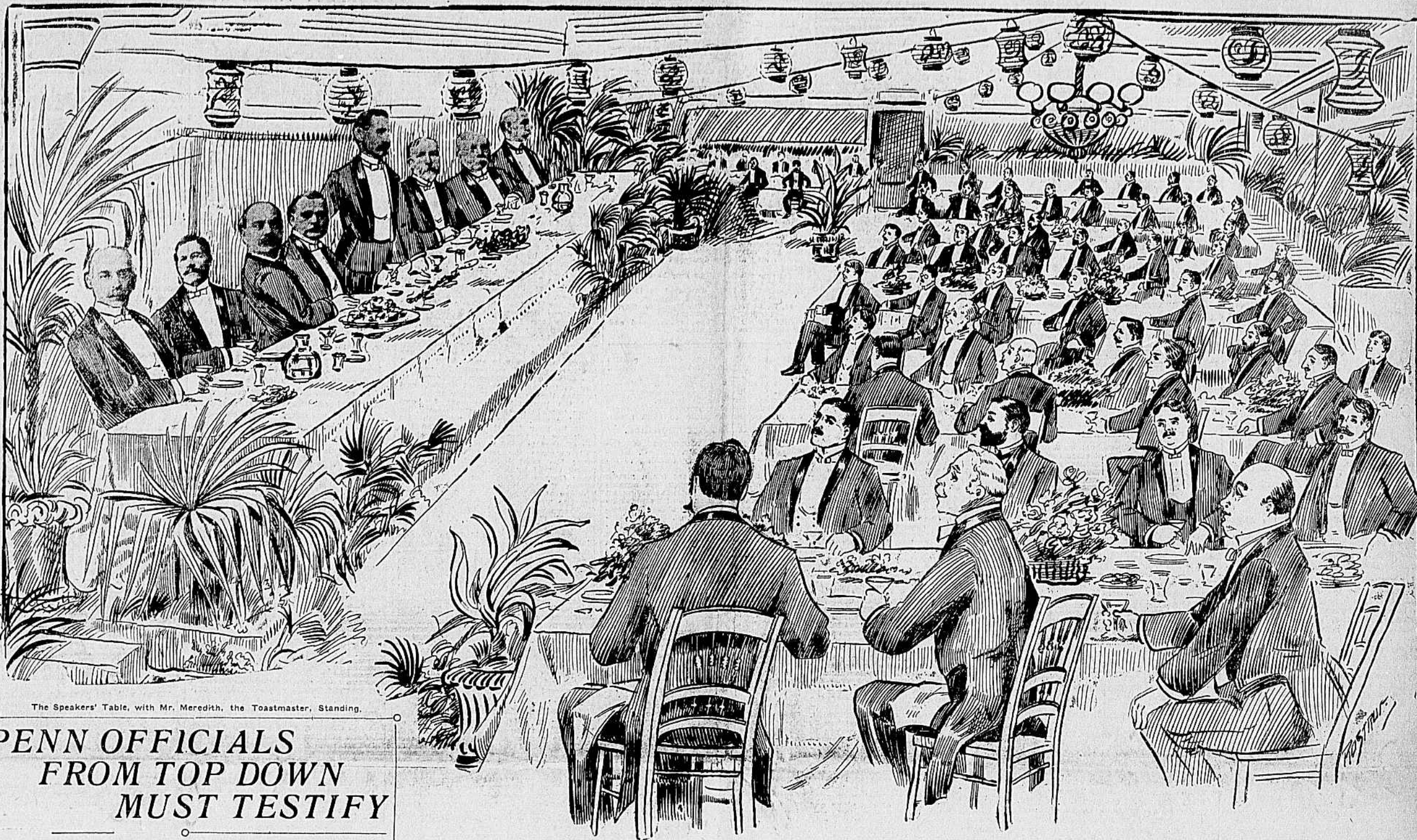
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SCENE AT THE BRILLIANT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET LAST NIGHT.



The Speakers' Table, with Mr. Meredith, the Toastmaster, Standing.

PENN OFFICIALS FROM TOP DOWN MUST TESTIFY

Acting Head of Road
To Go On Stand
To-Day.

NEW SENSATIONS
HOURLY EXPECTED

Burlington Demurrer Overruled
By Court and Roads and Cor-
porations Must Stand
Trial—Garfield to
Make New Re-
port.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 22.—From
high to low, officers of the Pennsylvania
Railroad have been summoned to tes-
tify before the Interstate Commerce Com-
mission, which to-morrow resumes its
hearings in Philadelphia in the railroad
coal investigation. Disclosures even more
sensational than the railroad man-
agement, more disturbing than those of
last week are expected.

This investigation by order of Congress
is no respecter of persons or positions.
The first witness who will be put on the
stand, unless William A. Glasgow, Jr.,
counsel for the commission changes its
program, is Captain John P. Green,
first vice-president of the Pennsylvania
Railroad. In the absence of President
Cassatt, he is acting head of the com-
pany.

Next in official standing among the
witnesses called is Samuel Rea,
third vice-president. He will be called
upon to explain the Greenback Coal Com-
pany deal and other things.

Those Summoned.

A subpoena was to-day served on Wil-
liam A. Patton, assistant to President
Cassatt, because last week Mr. Patton
failed to respond to a request that he
appear before the commission as a wit-
ness. It had been previously arranged
with W. W. Atterbury, general manager,
that he would produce any officers of the
company whose presence might be de-
sired as witnesses. Congressman George
F. Huff, who is president of the Key-
stone Coal and Coke Company, the Cas-
satt concern, was to-day subpoenaed, as
was also John Lloyd, president of the
Columbia Coal Mining Company, Gar-
dner Cassatt, brother of President
Cassatt, is understood to be a prime
suspect in this company.

Robert Pilegrim, assistant to the Pres-
ident of the Pennsylvania Railroad at
Pittsburg; J. Howard Patton, a coal
man and brother of William A. Patton;
Theodore N. Ely, chief of motive power,
and D. S. Newhall, purchasing agent of
the Pennsylvania Railroad, have all been
summoned as witnesses.

Others called for through the general
manager are J. K. Johnston, superintend-
ent of the Tyrone division; Victor Wine-
man, superintendent of the Amboy di-
vision; J. N. Purviance, chief clerk to
William A. Patton; C. A. Wood, chief
clerk to the general superintendent; Da-
vid Steele, assistant trainmaster, Free-
burg division; A. E. Filler, Charles Culp.

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ENDORSE BRYAN AND PREDICT NOMINATION

Ohio Democrats Declare He Was
Robbed By Trusts of Nomi-
nation in 1904.

(By Associated Press.)
LIMA, OHIO, May 22.—William Jen-
nings Bryan was endorsed for president
here to-day by the Democratic judicial
convention of sixteen counties of North-
western Ohio. The resolutions which
were adopted by cheering, declare that
Bryan would have been renominated and
elected in 1904 had the trusts not stolen
the nomination from him, and that the
national democracy will nominate him in
1908 by acclamation.

WORKERS DESERT AND MINE IS CRIPPLED

(By Associated Press.)
SMITHFIELD, OHIO, May 22.—Deser-
tions from the ranks of the non-union
men imported by the United States Coal
Company have so crippled the available
force that the concern was unable to
start its Plum Run mine to-day, as
planned. Of the first thirty miners
brought in, only eight remain. One hun-
dred men were brought from Chicago
last night. Fourteen of them arrived
at Plum Run. The remainder were per-
suaded by union delegates to desert. The
men now at the mine, thirty in number,
are absolutely insufficient to man the
machinery. The union already claims a
victory.

COLORADO SEMINARY DESTROYED BY FIRE

Inglefield Seminary, a colored school,
about 25 miles from Richmond, at the
junction of the Southern and Norfolk
and Western Railroads, caught on fire
at one o'clock this morning and was
entirely consumed.
The building was one of the most im-
posing in that section of the country. It
was four stories high and built of solid
brick, and was situated on a very pretty
site.
The students numbered about 200, both
male and female, and came from many
different States in the South. At half-
past two the entire structure was in
ashes. At that time the cause of the fire
had not yet been discovered.

REPORTED RELAPSE OF MRS. DAVIS UNCONFIRMED

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, May 22.—Mrs. Jefferson
Davis was reported to have had a re-
lapse to-night, but shortly afterwards
her physicians left. This was taken as
an indication that her condition was not
serious.

Nomination Confirmed.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 22.—The Senate,
in executive session to-day, confirmed the
nomination of J. M. Sloan to be postmas-
ter of Chase City, Va.

PREPARE TO MOVE ON SAN DOMINGO

Revolutionists Accumulating Mu-
nitions of War at Town on
Coast of Hayti.

AMERICAN SHIPS ON WATCH

Jimenez Appeals to Secretary
Root Not to Interfere With
Movement.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 22.—The State
Department is in receipt of advices from
the acting Governor of Porto Rico to the
effect that munitions of war intended for
an expedition directed against San Do-
mingo are being shipped from St.
Thomas, British West Indies, to a place
called Ba Jabon, in Hayti, on the coast,
very near the Dominican boundary. The
leaders of this expedition are expected to
embark from Porto Rico about the
middle of next week.

The fact that a revolutionary move-
ment against the administration of
President Caceres is in process of forma-
tion had a disquieting effect here and
led to a conference to-day between offi-
cials of the State and Navy Depart-
ments. Following the precedent already
established in the case of Santo Domingo,
the Navy Department has forwarded to
Commander Southerland, on the Yan-
kee, such information as it has received
from the State Department, leaving him
full discretion in dealing with the situ-
ation.

It appears that ex-President Jimenez is
taking an active part in these movements,
and he has recently addressed several
letters to Secretary Root, containing long
arguments to demonstrate the justice of
permitting him and his party to make an
unimpeded effort to gain control of the
Dominican government. At last accounts
he was reported to be in Porto Rico.

DEAF MUTE SHOOTS AND KILLS PROMINENT MAN

(By Associated Press.)
JACKSON, MISS., May 22.—Mr. Charles
Carrington, a prominent citizen, was shot
and killed in front of the Union Hotel
by Charles Carraway, a deaf mute of
Crystal Springs. The affair created in-
tense excitement. Carraway is in jail. He
claims self-defense.

WILLIAMSBURG INVESTIGATION

The Twelfth Day of Set-
ting Devoid of Any
Sensations.

LUXURIES FOR
THE BOARD

The Old Board Smoked Fivers,
But the New One Had to Have
Ten-Cent Cigars—What
Became of Twenty-
Four Smithfield
Hams.

(Special from a Staff Correspondent.)
WILLIAMSBURG, VA., May 22.—The
twelfth day's proceedings before the
legislative investigating committee were
devoid of startling statements to-day. It
is true that there were moments when
there promised to be sensations, but
these passed quietly by.

At one point in the proceedings, when
Mr. Boudier was testifying to the num-
ber of luxuries that were purchased,
Senator Sadler, the chairman, remarked:
"Is it possible for the board to eat up
twenty-four Smithfield hams?"

Senator Rison quickly replied: "That
depends on the amount of whiskey they
had consumed," alluding to the "whis-
key episode" when the supply was taken
from the storeroom, because, it was
stated, the board and committee were
in the habit of paying too frequent visits
to that department.

The question of cigars purchased
brought out the information that, where-
as the old board smoked the five-cent
article, the new board preferred a higher
grade.

It was at this point that Chairman
Sadler interjected:

"So the board got so toney that they
couldn't smoke cheap cigars, but had to
smoke ten-cent cigars?"
The chairman asked Mr. Boudier if it
was possible for the members of the
board to consume all the luxuries pur-
chased.

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PASTORS REFUSE TO MARRY COUPLE

Mr. Hundley and Miss Corley
Essay the Matrimonial
Venture.

TO SEE JUDGE WITT ABOUT IT

Possible That Mr. Hundley Will
Lay the Matter Before the
Court.

After a long day's toll in searching
this city and Fairmount in an attempt to
secure a clergyman to tie the matrimo-
nial knot for himself and his prospec-
tive bride, Mr. Peyton C. Hundley, a
respectable white man of Richmond, had
to give up all hope of maturing the
wedding certificate which was issued to
him yesterday morning by Deputy Clerk
E. R. Phillips, of Henrico, and at a late
hour last night he declared he despaired
of being able to discover any minister
who would perform the ceremony for
him. His dilemma is due to the fact that
he was divorced from his former wife
seven years ago.

The case is unique and one that does
not often occur in the annals of the
Dan Cupid caps long courtships with-
out being able to find a minister to
perform the ceremony. It is possible that
legal steps will be taken by Mr. Hundley to force some
preacher to marry him, as he intimated
to a reporter last night. Judge Witt
was called on by the groom-elect and his
bride, but, owing to his absence at the
banquet at the Masonic Temple, the judge
could not be seen at that time.

As a result of the refusal of the
clergyman to perform the ceremony, pretty
Miss Lacy A. Corley is lamenting a de-
layed marriage at her home, at No. 2209
Fairmount Avenue, and Mr. Hundley had
to pass the night at his boarding place,
No. 805 Albemarle Street.

Went to Magistrate's.

The pastors who were seen by the
couple yesterday and last night are Rev.
Hugh Sublett, pastor of the Fairmount
Christian Church; Rev. Henry Pearce
Atkins, pastor of the West End Chris-
tian Church; and Rev. J. B. Hutson,
pastor of the Pine Street Baptist Church.
The pair also called twice at the home
of the Rev. Mr. King, pastor of the
Fairmount Baptist Church, in Fairmount,
but the minister was out, and was not
seen by the matrimonial aspirants.

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FINE BANQUET OF THE CHAMBER AT THE TEMPLE

CZAR WILL PROCLAIM
AMNESTY THIS MONTH

Measure Will Be Limited, But
Will Be Accepted By Con-
trolling Party.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, May 22.—The long
awaited political amnesty will, the As-
sociated Press learns from a government
source, be proclaimed May 27th, the an-
niversary of the coronation of Emperor
Nicholas II. The exact scope of the
measure has not as yet been determined.
It will, as anticipated, be limited, but the
constitutional democratic party is pre-
pared, though grudgingly, to accept the
act of grace, from which terrorists are
excluded, recognizing, though not pub-
licly, that the government is not auto-
cratic, and that the measure is a step
toward a more liberal government.

Their demand for unlimited amnesty
was based on the assumption that with
the institution of a full constitutional
government, as was promised in an
open letter just before the assassination
of Alexander II., would abandon
operations, but they have been forced to
admit that the crime of the last few days
gives the government no guarantee that
the promise will be kept.

LEPROSY CASES CURED IN LOUISIANA HOSPITAL

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, May 22.—In a lengthy
report submitted to Governor Blanchard
to-day by the board of control of the
Louisiana Leprosy Hospital, an announce-
ment is made for the first time that a definite
cure has been obtained in three cases of
leprosy. The cures are mentioned in the
report of Dr. Hopkins, visiting physician
and Dr. Sudor, consulting leprologist.
The patients have been discharged, and
it is stated in the report that the dis-
ease continues to spread.

Southampton County Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMINGTON, VA., May 22.—The Circuit
Court of Southampton county convened at
Courtland on yesterday with a full docket
and largely criminal business. Few cases
were reached yesterday.

Three Hundred Happy
Guests Hear Some
Brilliant Speeches.

STRONG ADDRESSES
BY BUSINESS MEN

Burden of All the Talk Was for
Richmond's Future Strides
Along the Lines of Com-
mercial Enterprise
and Industrial De-
velopment.

At a magnificent banquet given by the
Chamber of Commerce at the Masonic
Temple last night, the material ad-
vantages of Richmond as a manufacturing
and commercial center, were eloquently
discussed by strong speakers, and the
atmosphere seemed fairly surcharged
with hope and cheer concerning her won-
derful possibilities for the future.

There were about three hundred guests
seated at a dozen or more tables, and
the gathering was a most delightful one.
The menu embraced all the delicacies of
a favorable season, and while strains of
sweet music floated through the hall, it
was greatly enjoyed by the representa-
tive assemblage.

The decorations embraced flowers as
sweet and fragrant as those of Ceylon's
isle, and the warmth of the wine and
the mellow lights of dozens of chande-
liers lent a charm to the occasion which
is well hard to describe.

It was a picture of health and inspira-
tion, replete with all the unfailing signs
of life and hope.

Gathering of Leading Men.

Around the board there sat men who
have blazed the way for Richmond's
prosperity and made her the proud and
prosperous business center of a great
State.

There were those who have kept alive
the fires in the furnace, labelled the
music of the spindles, and whose out-
stretched hands have caught and steadied
trotting industries and built up waste
places hitherto untouched by the help-
ful hand of progress.
Besides and among them sat the city
lawmakers, the Chief Executive, a former
Governor, strong lawyers and men of
other professions, who listened earnestly